

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are honored to recognize milestone events in  
4 the lives of the citizens of the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Charlie A.  
6 Thurston is retiring this year; and

7 WHEREAS, Charlie A. Thurston has worked 39 years for  
8 Nicor Gas, serving as vice president of governmental affairs  
9 for the past eight years; before his current position he  
10 served in various positions, including vice president of  
11 divisions, environmental affairs, engineering, consumer  
12 services, and technical training; and

13 WHEREAS, Charlie A. Thurston earned his Bachelor's degree  
14 in civil engineering from Kansas University in 1961, where he  
15 was a valued member of the Jayhawks varsity football team;  
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Charlie A. Thurston earned his Masters of  
18 Science degree from the Institute of Industrial Relations of  
19 Loyola University, Chicago, in 1974; and

20 WHEREAS, Charlie A. Thurston has served in many civic  
21 positions over the years, including serving as president of  
22 the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, as president  
23 of the DuPage County Branch of the NAACP, as secretary of the  
24 Illinois Futures Task Force, as a board member of the  
25 Metropolitan Open Communities Leadership Council, as a board  
26 member of the Urban League in Aurora, on the board of the  
27 National Association of Regional Councils, and as president  
28 of the DuPage Community Foundation; and

29 WHEREAS, Charlie A. Thurston has served in many  
30 professional organizations, including service as chairman of  
31 the Midwest Gas Association, as chairman of the American Gas

1 Association Urban Affairs Committee, and as a member of the  
2 Economic Club of Chicago; and

3 WHEREAS, Charlie A. Thurston has successfully raised  
4 three children, Ann, Robyn, and Sherry, and is proud  
5 grandfather of three wonderful grandchildren; therefore, be  
6 it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
8 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
9 we honor Charlie A. Thurston and wish him well in all his  
10 future endeavors, including his many attempts to tame the  
11 Chicago Golf Club in Wheaton; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
13 presented to Charlie A. Thurston as an expression of our  
14 esteem.